

**Remarks/Arguments:**

Claim 67 has been objected to and rejected. Claim 67 has been appropriately amended.

Claims 61, 63, 66-68 and 85 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by bin Mohamed Hassan (US 6,897,645). This rejection is respectfully traversed for the reasons set forth below.

Applicants' invention, as recited by claim 61, includes a feature which is neither disclosed nor suggested by the art of record, namely:

...a feature detector for detecting a feature...

...an actuator which, responsive to detection of said feature,  
moves a moveable feature of said moveable feature receptacle...

An exemplary embodiment of Applicants' invention which corresponds to claim 61 is illustrated by Applicants' Figures 25a and 25b. As shown by Applicants' Figure 25b, the insertion of feature 1060 causes actuator 1510 to be actuated. Actuator 1510 is actuated in response to feature 1060 being detected. The way that feature 1060 is detected is that the insertion of feature 1060 causes motion of switch contact 1410. When switch contact 1410 makes contact, detector 1400 signals actuator 1510 to begin actuation. When actuator 1510 actuates, member 1600 rotates causing moveable feature 1300 to slide. This results in feature 1060 being pulled upon.

Applicants have intentionally included the language of "detecting" and "responsive to detection" in claim 61. bin Mohamed Hassan includes feature 40 and receptacle 50. bin Mohammed Hassan, however, does not include any structure which performs the act of "detecting" and which performs the act of actuating "responsive to detection." Accordingly, claim 61 is patentable over the art of record.

The remaining claims are patentable by virtue of their dependency on allowable claim 61.

Claim 64, 65 and 69 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hassan. Claim 69 has also been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hassan in view of Zahn (DE 2943864). These claims, however, are patentable by virtue of their dependency on allowable claim 61.

In view of the amendments and the arguments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Lawrence E. Ashery, Reg. No. 34,515  
Attorney for Applicant

LEA/mjc

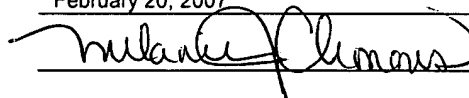
Dated: February 20, 2007

P.O. Box 980  
Valley Forge, PA 19482  
(610) 407-0700

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 18-0350 of any fees associated with this communication.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

February 20, 2007



MJC\_116727\_1